Agency 66

State Board of Technical Professions

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Article 6.—PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

66-6-6. Renewal of licenses and certificates of authorization. (a) Each licensee whose last name begins with one of the letters A through L shall renew the license in even-numbered years. Each licensee whose last name begins with one of the letters M through Z shall renew the license in odd-numbered years. A notice shall be issued by the board to each licensee during the appropriate renewal year, and not later than 30 days before the following expiration dates:

(1) Architects June 30;
(2) engineers April 30;
(3) land surveyors March 31;
(4) landscape architects December 31; and
(5) geologists June 30.

(b) Each business entity whose name begins with one of the letters A through L shall renew its certificate of authorization in even-numbered years. Each business entity whose name begins with one of the letters M through Z shall renew its certificate of authorization in odd-numbered years. A notice shall be issued by the board to each business entity during the appropriate renewal year, and not later than 30 days before the December 31 expiration date. (Authorized by K.S.A. 74-7013, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §3; implementing K.S.A. 74-7025, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §8, and K.S.A. 74-7036, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §13; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 4, 1992; amended Feb. 22, 1993;

amended Feb. 14, 1994; amended March 1, 1996; amended Feb. 4, 2000; amended Nov. 6, 2009.)

66-6-8. (Authorized by K.S.A. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 74-7025; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 4, 1992; amended Feb. 22, 1993; amended Feb. 14, 1994; amended Feb. 13, 1995; revoked Nov. 6, 2009.)

66-6-9. (Authorized by K.S.A. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 74-7025; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 1, 1985; amended May 4, 1992; amended Feb. 22, 1993; amended Feb. 14, 1994; amended Feb. 13, 1995; revoked Nov. 6, 2009.)

Article 7.—APPLICATIONS

- **66-7-1. Applications.** (a) In addition to the appropriate, completed application form and fee, each applicant shall also submit the following:
- (1) An official transcript to verify any educational credit; and
- (2) verification of any practical experience for which credit is claimed on reference forms approved by the board and forwarded directly to the board office by the individual providing the reference.
- (b) Each applicant for a license by reciprocity shall also submit the following:
- (1) Verification of any exams previously taken; and
- (2) verification of a current active license. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 74-7018; effective

May 1, 1984; amended May 4, 1992; amended Jan. 6, 2012.)

- **66-7-2.** Application for certificate of authorization. (a) A separate application shall be submitted for each technical profession for which a business entity wishes to become authorized.
- (b) Each application submitted by a foreign business entity shall be accompanied by the following:
- (1) A copy of the formation documents from the home state; and
- (2) a copy of the certificate of authority to do business in the state of Kansas from the Kansas secretary of state if qualified pursuant to K.S.A. 17-7301 et seq., and amendments thereto, or if exempt pursuant to K.S.A. 17-7303, 17-76,121a, or 56a-1104 et seq., and amendments thereto.
- (c) Each application submitted by a domestic business entity shall be accompanied by a copy of the formation documents and a certificate of good standing from the Kansas secretary of state. (Authorized by K.S.A. 74-7013, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §3; implementing K.S.A. 74-7036, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §13; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 4, 1992; amended Feb. 5, 1999; amended Feb. 4, 2000; amended Nov. 6, 2009.)

Article 8.—EXAMINATIONS

- **66-8-1.** (Authorized by K.S.A. 74-7013, as amended by L. 1995, ch. 104, sec. 1; implementing K.S.A. 74-7017; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 4, 1992; amended March 1, 1996; revoked Nov. 6, 2009.)
- **66-8-3.** Engineering examinations. (a) The examination required of each applicant for engineering licensure shall be the national council of examiners for engineering and surveying (NCEES) examination consisting of an engineering fundamentals section and a professional practice section.
- (b) The examination shall be graded by the NCEES, subject to approval by the board.
- (c) Each applicant for a professional license shall be required to pass the section on engineering fundamentals, meet the educational requirements under K.A.R. 66-9-4, and meet the professional engineering experience requirements under K.S.A. 74-7021 and amendments thereto before submitting an application to take the section on professional practice. (Authorized by

K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 74-7017, K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7021, and K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7023; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 4, 1992; amended Feb. 22, 1993; amended Feb. 14, 1994; amended Nov. 6, 2009; amended Dec. 27, 2013.)

- **66-8-4.** Land surveyor examinations. (a) The examinations required of each applicant for land surveying licensure shall be the following:
- (1) The national council of examiners for engineering and surveying (NCEES) examinations covering the following:
 - (A) The fundamentals of surveying; and
- (B) the principles and practices of surveying;
- (2) an examination covering Kansas surveying laws and practices.
- (b) The fundamentals and the principles and practices of surveying examinations shall be graded by the NCEES, subject to approval by the board.
- (c) Each applicant who has passed one or more sections of previous registration examinations may be granted transfer credits if approved by the board.
- (d) Each applicant for a professional license as a land surveyor shall be required to pass the section on the fundamentals of surveying and shall meet the professional land surveying experience requirements under K.S.A. 74-7022, and amendments thereto, before submitting an application to take the section on professional practice. (Authorized by K.S.A. 74-7013, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §3; implementing K.S.A. 74-7017, K.S.A. 74-7022, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §6, and K.S.A. 74-7023, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §7; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 4, 1992; amended Feb. 22, 1993; amended Feb. 14, 1994; amended Feb. 13, 1995; amended Nov. 1, 2002; amended Feb. 3, 2006; amended Nov. 6, 2009.)
- **66-8-6.** Reexamination. (a) Any applicant for a license to practice engineering, land surveying, or geology who fails an examination on the first attempt may take the examination two additional times, except as specified in subsections (b) and (c).
- (b) Except as specified in subsection (c), the fourth and any subsequent attempts by an applicant to retake an examination may be allowed by the board if the applicant establishes that the areas of deficiency identified in the examination failure

report provided by the testing administrator have been addressed through either of the following:

- (1) Additional coursework; or
- (2) experience under the supervision of a person licensed in the technical profession for which the applicant is seeking licensure.
- (c) Any applicant's examination results may be rejected by the board and permission to retake an examination may be withheld by the board upon a report by the testing administrator of any possible violation by the applicant of the provisions of any candidate testing agreement regarding examination irregularities.
- (d) Each applicant shall submit the appropriate fee for each examination. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7009 and 74-7023; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 4, 1992; amended June 18, 2010; amended Dec. 27, 2013.)
- **66-8-7.** Geology examinations. (a) The examination required of each applicant for geology licensure shall be the national association of state boards of geology (ASBOG®) examination, consisting of a geology fundamentals section and a geologic practice section.
- (b) The examination shall be graded by the AS-BOG®, subject to approval by the board.
- (c) Each applicant for a professional license shall be required to pass the section on geology fundamentals and shall meet the professional geology experience requirements under K.S.A. 74-7041, and amendments thereto, before submitting an application to take the section on geologic practice. (Authorized by K.S.A. 74-7013, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §3; implementing K.S.A. 74-7017, K.S.A. 74-7023, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §7, and K.S.A. 74-7041, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §14; effective Feb. 4, 2000; amended Nov. 6, 2009.)

Article 9.—EDUCATION

- **66-9-4.** Engineering curriculum approved by the board. "A college or university program that is adequate in its preparation of students for the practice of engineering" shall mean any of the following:
- (a) A baccalaureate engineering curriculum accredited by the engineering accreditation commission of the accreditation board for engineering and technology (EAC/ABET);
- (b) a curriculum for a master's degree or doctorate in engineering, if all college coursework is

- reviewed and approved by the board and found to be of a standard equivalent to that of an ABETaccredited baccalaureate engineering curriculum; or
- (c) a baccalaureate engineering curriculum outside the United States that has not been accredited by ABET but meets the following requirements:
- (1) Is evaluated by an organization approved by the board and found to be of a standard equivalent to that of ABET; and
- (2) is reviewed and approved by the board. (Authorized by K.S.A. 74-7013, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §3; implementing K.S.A. 74-7021, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §5; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 4, 1992; amended Feb. 22, 1993; amended Feb. 14, 1994; amended Feb. 4, 2000; amended Feb. 3, 2006; amended Nov. 6, 2009.)
- **66-9-7.** Educational standard acceptable to the board for reciprocity applicants. For purposes of K.S.A. 74-7024 and amendments thereto, the following shall apply:
- (a) Each applicant for a license to practice engineering, surveying, landscape architecture, or geology by reciprocity shall be deemed to have met the educational standard acceptable to the board if the applicant's educational qualifications when the original license was issued would have met the Kansas requirements in effect on that date.
- (b) Each applicant for a license to practice architecture by reciprocity shall provide proof of certification by the national council of architectural registration boards (NCARB). The requirements for this certification shall be those specified in sections one through six on pages 11-16 of the "certification guidelines," published by the national council of architectural registration boards and revised July 2012. These six sections are hereby adopted by reference. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 74-7024; effective Feb. 4, 2005; amended Jan. 6, 2012; amended Dec. 27, 2013.)

Article 10.—EXPERIENCE

66-10-1. Architectural experience of a character satisfactory to the board. Each applicant shall complete the intern development program (IDP) as specified on pages 9-20 in the "intern development program guidelines," dated November 2012 and published by the national

council of architectural registration boards (NCARB). These pages are hereby adopted by reference. Each applicant shall provide a completed record of architectural experience prepared by the NCARB. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7013 and K.S.A. 74-7019; implementing K.S.A. 74-7019; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 4, 1992; amended Feb. 22, 1993; amended Feb. 14, 1994; amended Feb. 13, 1995; amended Feb. 9, 2001; amended Feb. 6, 1998; amended Feb. 9, 2001; amended Nov. 1, 2002; amended Feb. 3, 2006; amended March 28, 2008; amended Nov. 6, 2009; amended June 18, 2010; amended June 18, 2010; amended June 18, 2012; amended June 27, 2013.)

66-10-3. Architectural experience required of a reciprocity applicant. Each applicant for a license to practice architecture by reciprocity shall provide proof of certification by the national council of architectural registration boards (NCARB), for approval by the board. The requirements for this certification shall be those specified in the portions of the "certification guidelines" adopted by reference in K.A.R. 66-9-7. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 74-7019; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 1, 1985; amended May 4, 1992; amended Feb. 22, 1993; amended Feb. 14, 1994; amended Feb. 13, 1995; amended Jan. 6, 2012; amended Dec. 27, 2013.)

- **66-10-9.** Engineering experience of a character that is satisfactory to the board. (a) The work experience required of each applicant shall expose the applicant to all phases of work integral to the discipline of engineering in which the applicant claims qualification to practice and shall be verified as specified in paragraph (b)(2).
- (b) Engineering work experience shall meet the following requirements:
- (1) Fall within the definition of "the practice of engineering" pursuant to K.S.A. 74-7003, and amendments thereto;
- (2) be directly supervised and verified by a licensed professional engineer. However, direct supervision by a licensed professional engineer shall not be required of the employees of any person, firm, or corporation not offering services in the technical professions to the public, although verification by the applicant's supervisor shall still be required; and
- (3) include at least two years of work experience, which shall have been gained in the United States.

- (c) The following requirements and provisions shall be used to assign credit for work experience:
- (1) The applicant shall demonstrate four years of acceptable work experience.
- (2) One year of credit toward the experience requirement may be given for a master's or doctoral degree in engineering, unless that degree is used to satisfy the educational requirement described in K.A.R. 66-9-4(b). Credit for concurrent experience shall not be granted if the applicant is working full-time while earning a master's degree and that master's degree is received less than four calendar years from the date of the baccalaureate degree.
- (3) Teaching engineering at a college or university that offers an engineering curriculum accredited by the engineering accreditation commission of the accreditation board for engineering and technology (EAC/ABET) of four years or more may be considered engineering experience.
- (4) Work experience credit shall not be allowed for work performed before graduation with the baccalaureate degree.
- (d) Each applicant shall supply at least three references from professional engineers who are licensed in the United States and are familiar with the applicant's engineering experience. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7021; effective May 1, 1984; amended April 9, 1990; amended May 4, 1992; amended Feb. 14, 1994; amended Feb. 13, 1995; amended Nov. 1, 2002; amended Feb. 3, 2006; amended Jan. 5, 2007; amended Nov. 6, 2009; amended Dec. 27, 2013.)
- **66-10-13.** Geology experience of a character that is satisfactory to the board. (a) The work experience required of each applicant shall expose the applicant to all phases of work integral to the discipline of geology in which the applicant claims qualification to practice and shall be verified as specified in paragraph (b)(2).
- (b) Geology experience shall meet the following requirements:
- (1) Fall within the definition of "the practice of geology" in K.S.A. 74-7003, and amendments thereto; and
- (2) be directly supervised and verified by a licensed geologist for work performed after July 1, 2000. However, direct supervision by a licensed geologist shall not be required of the employees of any person, firm, or corporation that does not offer services in the technical professions to the

public, although verification by the applicant's supervisor shall still be required.

- (c) The following shall be used to assess credit for work experience:
- (1) Experience credit shall not be allowed for work performed before graduation.
- (2) One year of credit toward the experience requirement may be given for a master's degree in geology or in a closely related specialty area acceptable to the board.
- (3) Teaching geology in a college or university that offers a geology curriculum of four years or more approved by the board may be considered geology experience.
- (d) Each applicant shall supply at least three references from licensed geologists or licensed professional engineers who are familiar with the applicant's geology experience. At least two of these references shall be licensed geologists. One of the three references may be a licensed professional engineer. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7041; effective Feb. 4, 2000; amended Feb. 9, 2001; amended Nov. 2, 2001; amended Nov. 1, 2002; amended Dec. 27, 2013.)
- **66-10-14.** Professional engineering, land surveying, and geology experience standards acceptable to the board for reciprocity applicants. (a) Each applicant for an engineering license by reciprocity shall meet the following requirements:
- (1) Provide verification from the employer of at least four years of experience in the practice of engineering, as defined in K.S.A. 74-7003 and amendments thereto. One year of credit toward the experience requirement may be given for a master's or doctoral degree in engineering; and
- (2) supply at least three references from professional engineers who are licensed in the United States and are familiar with the applicant's engineering experience.
- (b) Each applicant for a land surveying license by reciprocity shall meet the following requirements:
- (1) Provide verification from the employer of at least eight years of land surveying experience or education, or a combination of these, pursuant to K.S.A. 74-7022 and amendments thereto, K.A.R. 66-10-10, K.A.R. 66-10-10a, K.A.R. 66-10-10b, and K.A.R. 66-10-11; and
- (2) supply at least three references from licensed land surveyors or licensed professional en-

- gineers who are familiar with the applicant's land surveying experience. At least one reference shall be from a licensed land surveyor.
- (c) Each applicant for a geology license by reciprocity shall meet the following requirements:
- (1) Provide verification from the employer of at least four years of experience in the practice of geology, as defined in K.S.A. 74-7003 and amendments thereto. One year of credit toward the experience requirement may be given for a master's degree in geology or in a closely related specialty area acceptable to the board; and
- (2) supply at least three references from licensed geologists or licensed professional engineers who are familiar with the applicant's geology experience. At least two of these references shall be from licensed geologists. One of the three references may be from a licensed professional engineer. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7013, 74-7021, 74-7022, and 74-7041; implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7018, K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7021, K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7022, K.S.A. 74-7024, and K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7041; effective Feb. 4, 2005; amended Feb. 3, 2006; amended Nov. 6, 2009; amended Dec. 27, 2013.)

Article 11.—INTERN CERTIFICATION AND ADMISSION TO THE FUNDAMENTALS EXAMINATION

- **66-11-1.** Intern engineer certificate. An intern engineer certificate shall be issued to each individual who meets the following requirements:
- (a) Passes the examination in the fundamentals of engineering as administered by the national council of examiners for engineering and surveying (NCEES);
- (b) submits proof of completion of a baccalaureate engineering curriculum or equivalent as described in K.A.R. 66-9-4; and
- (c) submits an application, on a form provided by the board, that is approved by the board. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7021; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 4, 1992; amended Feb. 14, 1994; amended Nov. 6, 2009; amended Dec. 27, 2013.)
- **66-11-1a.** Intern geologist certificate. An intern geologist certificate shall be issued to each individual who meets both of the following requirements:
 - (a) Passes the examination in the fundamentals

of geology as administered by the national association of state boards of geology (ASBOG®); and

(b) submits proof of completion of a baccalaureate or master's degree in geology pursuant to K.A.R. 66-9-6. (Authorized by K.S.A. 74-7013, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §3; implementing K.S.A. 74-7041, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §14; effective Nov. 1, 2002; amended Nov. 6, 2009.)

66-11-1b. Intern land surveyor certificate. An intern land surveyor certificate shall be issued to each individual who meets both of the following requirements:

- (a) Passes the examination in the fundamentals of surveying as administered by the national council of examiners for engineering and surveying (NCEES); and
- (b) submits proof of completion of the surveying curriculum described in K.A.R. 66-9-5. (Authorized by K.S.A. 74-7013, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §3; implementing K.S.A. 74-7022, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §6; effective Nov. 1, 2002; amended Nov. 6, 2009.)
- **66-11-2.** (Authorized by K.S.A. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 74-7021 and 74-7023; effective May 1, 1984; amended May 4, 1992; amended Feb. 22, 1993; amended Feb. 14, 1994; amended Jan. 5, 2007; revoked Dec. 27, 2013.)
- **66-11-4.** Admission requirements for fundamentals of geology examination. (a) Each application shall be reviewed by the board to determine whether the requirements for examination have been met. Once the board establishes that the requirements have been met, the applicant shall be allowed to sit for the examination.
- (b) The requirements for admission shall be either of the following:
- (1) Senior status in a geology curriculum described in K.A.R. 66-9-6; or
- (2) completion of a geology curriculum described in K.A.R. 66-9-6. (Authorized by K.S.A. 74-7013, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §3; implementing K.S.A. 74-7023, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §7 and K.S.A. 74-7041, as amended by L. 2009, Ch. 94, §14; effective Feb. 4, 2000; amended Nov. 6, 2009.)

Article 12.—MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF LAND SURVEYING

66-12-1. Minimum standards for the practice of land surveying. The board hereby adopts by reference the following:

- (a) The "minimum standard detail requirements for ALTA/ACSM land title surveys (effective February 23, 2011)"; and
- (b) the "Kansas minimum standards for boundary surveys and mortgagee title inspections standards of practice" adopted by the Kansas society of land surveyors and last amended December 2009, except that the preface and scope sections shall be deleted. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 74-7037; effective May 4, 1992; amended Feb. 14, 1994; amended Feb. 13, 1995; amended March 1, 1996; amended Feb. 4, 2000; amended Jan. 23, 2009; amended June 18, 2010; amended Jan. 6, 2012.)

Article 14.—CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

66-14-1. Requirements. (a) Each licensee shall have completed 30 professional development hours (PDHs) of acceptable continuing education requirements during the two-year period immediately preceding the biennial renewal date established in K.A.R. 66-6-6 as a condition for license renewal. If the licensee exceeds the requirement in any renewal period, the licensee may carry a maximum of 30 PDHs forward into the subsequent renewal period.

(b)(1) Each land surveyor shall complete, as part of the 30 PDHs required, at least two PDHs of preapproved continuing education activity on the Kansas minimum standards adopted by reference in K.A.R. 66-12-1(b).

- (2) Each provider of a continuing education activity specified in paragraph (b)(1) shall submit an application for preapproval of the continuing education activity on a form provided by the board.
- (3) To qualify for preapproval, each continuing education activity shall meet the following conditions:
- (A) The activity has a definable purpose and objective.
- (B) The activity is created and conducted by a person qualified in the subject area.
 - (C) The activity equals two contact hours.
- (D) Documentation is provided to the participant upon completion of the activity. (Authorized by K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 2012 Supp. 74-7013 and 74-7025; effective March 1, 1996; amended Feb. 4, 2000; amended Jan. 23, 2009; amended Dec. 27, 2013.)

66-14-10. Licensure in another jurisdiction. (a) Except as specified in subsections (b) and

- (c), the board's continuing education requirements may be satisfied if a licensee meets all of the following conditions:
- (1) The licensee is licensed to practice one of the technical professions in another jurisdiction.
 - (2) The licensee resides in the jurisdiction spec-

- ified in paragraph (a)(1). (3) The licensee meets the continuing education requirements of the jurisdiction in which the licensee resides.
- (b) If a licensee resides in a jurisdiction that requires no continuing education, the licensee shall meet the continuing education requirements of this article.
- (c) Each land surveyor shall comply with K.A.R. 66-14-1(b). (Authorized by K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 74-7013; implementing K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 74-7025; effective March 1, 1996; amended Feb. 9, 2001; amended June 18, 2010.)